

First Circuit Opinion Summaries by Findlaw

- [First Circuit Opinion Summaries by Findlaw](#) - with links to full-text opinions arranged by month.

Most Recent Summaries

FINDLAW DAILY OPINION SUMMARIES U.S. 1ST CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

Criminal Law & Procedure, Sentencing

Ford v. Bender, No. 12-1622

In this action, plaintiff-detainee was held in disciplinary segregated confinement throughout a period of pretrial detention and into a subsequent criminal sentence as punishment for conduct that had occurred while he was imprisoned during a prior criminal sentence. Declaratory and injunctive relief is vacated, denial of qualified immunity to defendant prison officials is reversed, and an award of money damages is reversed, where: 1) defendants did not violated plaintiff's clearly established rights; 2) plaintiff's pretrial disciplinary confinement did not violate due process; and 3) declaratory and injunctive relief was rendered moot.

Criminal Law & Procedure, Immigration Law

US v. Bresil, No. 13-1066

Conviction of defendant for illegally reentering the United States is affirmed, where: 1) even though the government plainly violated Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 16, the violation did not prejudice defendant; and 2) all of defendant's other claims are without merit.

Criminal Law & Procedure, Immigration Law

US v. Serunjogi, No. 13-2392

Conviction and sentence of defendant for conspiracy to defraud the US government by arranging a sham marriage to secure his friend a change in immigration status is affirmed, where: 1) there was sufficient evidence to support defendant's conviction; and 2) having taken all relevant factors into account, the district court did not err in its sentencing imposition.